

February 10, 2003, is considered timely under under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

In the Claims:

wherein each  $R_3$  is independently H; straight chained or branched  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl;  $C_1$ - $C_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $C_1$ - $C_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkoxy;  $-(CH_2)_qOH$ ;  $-OH$ ;  $=N-OR_4$ ;  $COR_4$ ;  $CO_2R_4$ ;  $CONHR_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein each R<sub>4</sub> is independently H; straight chained or

branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monofluoroalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyfluoroalkyl; or phenyl;

wherein R<sub>6</sub> is H; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monofluoroalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy; -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>OH; COR<sub>4</sub>; CO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>4</sub>; CONHR<sub>4</sub>; phenyl; or benzyl;

C1 wherein R<sub>7</sub> is independently H; -CN; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monofluoroalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy; -OH; -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>OH; -COR<sub>4</sub>; CO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>4</sub>; CONHR<sub>4</sub>; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein m is 1 or 2;

wherein each p is independently 0, 1 or 2; and

wherein each q is independently 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.--

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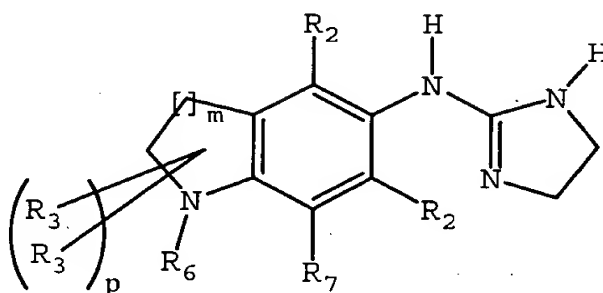
C2 --3. (Twice Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is the (+) enantiomer.--

--4. (Twice Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is the (-) enantiomer.--

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C3 --22. (Amended) A method for treating an  $\alpha_2$  adrenergic receptor

associated disorder in a subject, which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to treat the disorder, wherein the compound has the structure:



wherein each  $R_2$  is independently H; F; Cl; Br; I;  $-NO_2$ ;  $-CN$ ; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl;  $C_1-C_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $C_1-C_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkoxy;  $-OH$ ;  $-(CH_2)_qOH$ ;  $-COR_4$ ;  $CO_2R_4$ ;  $CONHR_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein each  $R_3$  is independently H; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl;  $C_1-C_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $C_1-C_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkoxy;  $-(CH_2)_qOH$ ;  $-OH$ ;  $=N-OR_4$ ;  $COR_4$ ;  $CO_2R_4$ ;  $CONHR_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein each  $R_4$  is independently H; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl,  $C_1-C_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $C_1-C_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; or phenyl;

wherein  $R_6$  is H; straight chained or branched  $C_1-C_4$  alkyl;

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monofluoroalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy; -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>q</sub>OH; COR<sub>4</sub>; CO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>4</sub>; CONHR<sub>4</sub>; phenyl; or benzyl;

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wherein R<sub>1</sub> is independently H; -CN; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> monofluoroalkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkoxy; -OH; -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>q</sub>OH; -COR<sub>4</sub>; CO<sub>2</sub>R<sub>4</sub>; CONHR<sub>4</sub>; phenyl; or benzyl;

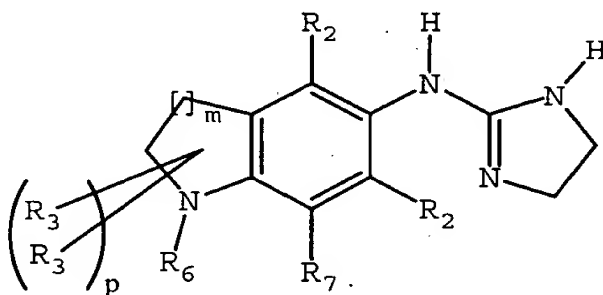
wherein m is 1 or 2;

wherein each p is independently 0, 1 or 2; and

wherein each q is independently 0, 1, 2 or 3;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.--

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--25. (Amended) A method of treating pain in a subject, which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to treat the subject's pain, wherein the compound has the structure:



wherein each  $R_2$  is independently H; F; Cl; Br; I;  $-\text{NO}_2$ ;  $-\text{CN}$ ; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkyl;  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkoxy;  $-\text{OH}$ ;  $-(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{OH}$ ;  $-\text{COR}_4$ ;  $\text{CO}_2\text{R}_4$ ;  $\text{CONHR}_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

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wherein each  $R_3$  is independently H; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkyl;  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkoxy;  $-(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{OH}$ ;  $-\text{OH}$ ;  $=\text{N-OR}_4$ ;  $\text{COR}_4$ ;  $\text{CO}_2\text{R}_4$ ;  $\text{CONHR}_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein each  $R_4$  is independently H; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkyl,  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; or phenyl;

wherein  $R_6$  is H; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkyl;  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkoxy;  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{OH}$ ;  $\text{COR}_4$ ;  $\text{CO}_2\text{R}_4$ ;  $\text{CONHR}_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

wherein  $R_7$  is independently H;  $-\text{CN}$ ; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkyl;  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  monofluoroalkyl or  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$  alkoxy;  $-\text{OH}$ ;  $-(\text{CH}_2)_q\text{OH}$ ;  $-\text{COR}_4$ ;  $\text{CO}_2\text{R}_4$ ;  $\text{CONHR}_4$ ; phenyl; or benzyl;

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wherein each p is independently 0, 1 or 2; and